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I realize I came to know you
in the quiet moments away

from the sounds of rushing
water. Still I could see you

as if from a bird's eye view up
high, up here, the wind tunnels

your ear vision. Away
from the noise of decay,

the rot of work, the toil
of a routine pressed

between Monday and Friday. I spy
the top of your head, hair

wispy and ochre,
painted clouds protective.

I realize I came to know you in the bathroom
Where I could hear you singing, steam

rising like hot breath
from a warmed mouth

spilling into a cup
of cold air. I realize

I came to know you
from add beans to the grocery list

and socks first
then underwear. Look,

you nested honey on the shelf,
later for melting on my tongue. You
know me so well.

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